

MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Expanding Opportunity and Unleashing Potential

850 Hungerford Drive ◆ Room 123 ◆ Rockville, Maryland 20850

BILL: HB1340

TITLE: Commission on History, Culture, and Civics in Education

DATE: 3/6/2020 POSITION: SUPPORT

COMMITTEE: Ways and Means

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The Montgomery County Board of Education (Board) supports HB1340.

Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) supports the integration of diverse perspectives in Maryland social studies standards, particularly the perspectives of the groups represented on the Commission.

Many of the MCPS Social Studies courses have been revised over the last four years to include the perspectives of the stakeholders the Commission on History, Culture, and Civics in Education. The Commission is charged with making recommendations regarding standards and programs, not mandating changes to the instruction or curriculum of local school systems.

For these reasons, the Board **supports** this legislation and urges a **favorable** report.